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Miss E. P. Peabody
June 2nd 1831
New York
19 Irving Place

My dear Miss Lowell,

I was unexpectedly detained a day longer in Boston by the mistake of a mantua maker, and I grieve to say I did forget that it had as it were appointed a meeting with you. But I did not probably think you would go - so I did not think to counteract it - as in one or two other instances - I can only say for excuse that I was very much confused at the last moment. But I am very glad to get the letters & very much obliged -

I found before when I arrived last night a letter from you - from Mr. Snelling - & from John Hart, Solger herself. I cannot think there can be allowing where for a person to perfect a bond for which they have paid & all where taxes they have paid as the less ever since Dr S. died or was disabled. - No notice was ever served to her those two years - She never knew of - & of course she did not know by the advertisement Dr Solger had her life insured &

the \$2000 was paid her & she
went straight to Mr Hooper &
paid what he had advanced
who had paid the bill before
it was due in order to deliver
her from the person who had
left the house & wanted to get
it back again. This is a clear
case of a swindling tried by some
desperate rascal who takes
advantage of her helplessness.
I have already written the whole
account of the matter to a noble
squeaked young lawyer of Wash-
ington - Marcellus Buckley - &
begged him to go to her alone
& see all about it - telling him
how entirely every cent has
been honorably paid that she
knew was due & I feel sure
she will be righted -

I do not know whether you
know that the first \$1000 paid
on that house was borrowed
from some men - Germans
I believe principally - whom
Dr Solger obtained places as
treasury clerks - & who imme-
diately when he was sick came
to claim them - & whom she kept

at bay by paying money by
all the salary which she received
getting the rest of her living by
the boarders & her friend Nichols,
& she promised them she would
pay all of them if they would not tor-
ment him. She has continued
to pay ever since by these day
statements & lately told me
she had still three hundred
dollars to pay. - She is therefore
without means to buy off the
men & people not to be bought
off. - She says now her French
lessons stop & her boarders de-
minish for the summer. - But
she last post received a letter
from me in which I gave as
usual a great deal of her history
& she says that has comforted her
so much (the sympathy) that she
feels calmer - & has sent to her
lawyer to see if he would not
adjust it. I do not know his
name or character & so I have
asked Mrs. Briley to go about it.
She will do ~~it~~ the con-
be done & I have written to her
that I have done so. —

Mrs. Drane is perfectly friendly to
Mrs. Folger - & perfectly sincere
subjectively - but I must tell you
that she is not reliable being a
victim of epileptic fits - & always
in a state of insanity - though not
perhaps of derangement. Should

you ever see & talk with her
you would perceive that this y.
should I happen to know it - so do say
Mrs Solger - who discovered her
insanity by her own observation
before Prof was told of it by me
with its cause. I do not touch
however that there is something
very important in her report by
Julius. I know he is utterly de-
controllable by his master - and
by himself - So powerful is his
temperament & so as to be un-
disciplined as he has always
been. Dr Solger had very false
theories with respect to his
duties as her board & father
tho' the most pure & proper
father - & he trusted too
unjustly to circumstances to
instruct the mind - & was
too jealous of using his personal
influence over their liberty.
Hence Mrs. Solger never knew
the grounds of her Protestant faith
but only her antecatholiceism
& the children had no clear
ideas of duty given to them.
Julius needed this especially
being passionate rather than
intelectual & poor Mrs Solger
has neither the comforts of Protestant
or Catholic religion & realises nothing
in the Universe greater than her
own broken heart - which is to me such
a testimony to the reality of the God
who is love. I have written to Mrs. Solger
for that we love all you - Mrs. Snellings
too - all her friend tested rumours of her
dangerous condition & we think that
conscience must be found where he
can go & be educated feeling the control
over him of a strong will & having

his mind trained to self
discipline or he will be
ruined, and there no money
reconcilia now should be
put in competition with it
I have therefore prepared her
for any suggestion he friend
may make - & I shall speak
to Mrs. Haff about it - Dr.
Solger's German friend
in New York - Mrs Solger
will not be surprised at
my advice to her above
Julius because his faults
are a common subject be-
tween us - He has a good
heart & loses her affections
another undutiful son loves
his mother - will know no
self control constantly. Julius
loses her. Mrs. Ripley
is all the dead & Mrs.
Simmons can do nothing but
nurse her & does not attempt
it leaving her to her
house - while Elizabeth says
the old man & has a family
to board with her in a sleek
She is much interested - Julius
needs a man to take care of
him - I wish therefore were a

Schrepp's full tale here -
I suppose you received
that delightful life
of Carl Ritter - by Gay -
published by Scribner -
as well as Lessing's life -
If not you have a
great treat to look at

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I send you another
heart-breaking note
from Mrs. Folger &
now she has got \$300
to come to pay - for
she still has 300 of more
other debts. I trust she
will not die. But such
stocks as these are
killing - I will enclose
her note - when you
see Mr. Snell Show it
to him & keep it from me
if it should prove the
last - well, God reigns!

Yours truly E.P. Peabody